Opening of IIT, Kharagpur campus in Orissa

*368. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY:
MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESORUCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the IIT, Kharagpur proposes to open a campus in Orissa;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time-frame within which the campus would be opened?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c) IIT Kharagpur has been running a campus in an area of 2.1 acres at Bhubaneswar since 1998. This campus is offering Post Graduate Diploma Courses in Information Technology and Business Administation.

IIT Kharagpur had sent a proposal for a major expansion of the campus at Bhubaneswar, Orissa. As per this proposal, the campus at Bhubaneswar will have a capacity of 5000 regular students and 3000 part time students in short term training programmes. The cost of building this campus, excluding the cost of land, has been estimated at Rs. 800 crores, spread over a period of 4 to 5 years. In addition to the above, the cost of infrastrucural development of land is estimated to be Rs. 120 crores. It is indicated in the proposal that the Government of Orissa has agreed 'in-principle' to provide 300 acres of land for this campus at Bhubaneswar, free of any cost. The Government has not approved this proposal.

Illegal mining in Delhi

†*369. SHRI BALAVANT *ALIAS* BALAPTE:
SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of large-scale illegal mining at many places in Delhi;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of action taken by Government against those involved in illegal mining;

(d) whether Government have made any plan to check it; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI SIS RAM OLA): (a) As per available information some instances of illegal mining in Delhi have come to the notice of the State Government.

(b) and (c) the details are given below:—

Year	Nos. of cases of illegal mining reported/registered	Amount recovered on account of panalty (in Rs.)
2004-05	70	2,84,000
2005-06	79	3,56,300
2006-07 (upto 15.12.2006)	106	6,66,698

(d) and (e) State Governments are the owners of the minerals and grant mining leases. Since the rights for mineral and collection of revenue vests with the State Governments, and police and law & order machinery is with the respective States, full powers to curb illegal mining have been delegated to the State Governments as per the Mines and Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957. State Governments have been asked to frame rules for prevention of illegal mining, constitute Task Forces at State/District level with a representative of Indian Bureau of Mines (IBM) and furnish quarterly returns on the steps taken to check illegal mining to the Ministry of Mines for review.

Composition of female population

*370. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the female population at present and its composition, age-wise and its deployment, sector-wise;